

Quick Guide to Encyclopædia Britannica Online Reference Center

Overview

The online version of the classic reference work. Features include:

- Information over 75,000 different topics.
- Videos about such subjects as science, history and the arts.
- The World Data Analyst and the Compare Countries data tools.
- Additional reference resources, such as dictionaries, a world atlas, and statistical abstracts.

Details

Searching and browsing

1. Use the **Search** box for basic keyword search. You can also use the Search box to search the Merriam-Webster Dictionary & Thesaurus.
2. Click **Advanced Search** to search by phrases, to exclude words, and to search for words that are near each other in text.
3. You can browse Britannica by topics in alphabetical order or by subject. You can also focus on biographies or articles by specific contributors.
4. **Year in Review** provides overviews of key events in years going back to 1993.
5. Recently revised articles are listed on the home page.

Workspace

1. The **Workspace** allows you to save Britannica content and organize it by project.
2. Click on the Workspace tab, then select **Create New Workspace**.
3. When reading an article, click on **Save to Workspace**, then select a project with which to save the article.
4. Workspaces can be exported in a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet or emailed to others by clicking on the appropriate buttons in your project's workspace.

Research Tools

1. The **Video Collection** features full length videos and shorter clips on a variety of general topics.
2. The **Media Collection** has an image library in addition to the videos from the Video Collection.
3. **Timelines** breaks down several different topics by key dates and events in history.



4. **World Data Analyst** contains brief country overviews, statistical rankings of nations, and tools to compare countries by statistics both presently and historically.
5. **Country Comparison** lets you view two country profiles of your choice side-by-side.
6. Other research tools include **Notable Quotations**, a **world atlas**, a **Spanish-English dictionary** and **Gateway to the Classics**, which includes extracts from significant Western works in the areas of literature, philosophy and science.

Additional Features You Might Like

- **Britannica Daily** can be found on the Britannica home page and features “This Day in History, a Biography of the Day, and recent entries to the site’s blog.
- The **News** box features headlines from the *New York Times* and BBC News.

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